

'Round the Riviera

Riviera Lad Only Freshman in Choir

BY MARY AND JACK WEBB
Only Torrance High freshman to be accepted by the "Tartar Choir." That's the honor that came to Stuart Ross, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ross, 452 Calle de Castellana. Stuart's clear second tenor voice brought recommendations not only from Victor Kilburn, of Riviera School, but from Torrance High faculty members as well. And so Stuart joins the Choir, composed mostly of seniors and juniors, with a sprinkling of extra-talented sophomores. He tells us the Tartar Choir is presently working to present its forthcoming Christmas program. Other engagements include appearing before the Junior Woman's Club of Torrance, a performance scheduled for Jan. 27.

At an afternoon tea, held Sunday, Oct. 4, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph K. Francis, 260 Via Buena Ventura, arranged for neighbors and friends to meet their daughter, Elizabeth Jane Francis, who just graduated from Michigan State. Miss Francis is visiting in Riviera until November 2, when she will commence a trip to Germany where her fiancée, PFC Tom Spencer Conway is awaiting her. They are planning their wedding for November 7 at the Community Chapel in Karlsruhe, Germany, where he is stationed with the Army's Finance Division. Mrs. Francis was assisted at the get-acquainted tea by Mrs. Earl Vopagel, Mrs. William Ropke Jr., and Miss Sherrill Dee, all of Hollywood Riviera.

Seems like anyone would know it is chilly in the ocean waters in November, but some Rivierans are going to dive in anyway. The occasion, reported by Mrs. C. E. Sturgill, 340 Calle de Andaluca, is an effort on the part of the California Council of Skin Divers to acquaint the public with the finer side of the sport. Seems as though commercial fishermen are complaining about the skin diving activities along the coast and the Council is sure a demonstration of skills will help all to appreciate the sport more fully. The affair will be on November 8, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., a date to circle on your calendar. The place is Cabrillo Beach in San Pedro. Mrs. Sturgill reports she will appear personally in the display of women's bathing suits, circa 1870 to date, which starts at 12 noon. Other Rivierans will appear in skin diving exhibitions. A luau is planned

at 2 p.m. followed by dancing. Mrs. Sturgill is headquarters for Rivierans who plan to dine there. Call FR 5-1620, she says, for tickets to the dinner, but call before the deadline of Oct. 28.

Speaking of skin diving brings to light the Riviera representation at the spear fishing contest scheduled for next Sunday, Oct. 18 at Laguna Beach. The boys from Riviera, all teenagers, will carry the moniker "Junior California Skin Divers Club" and will compete in the junior activities. Rivierans Ray Kearns, Melvin French, and Jim Coyle will make up the local team, coached by Charles Sturgill, 340 Calle de Andaluca. The latter is a member of the California Skin Divers, and is responsible, we find, for the proper instruction of the teen-agers and assistance in maintaining safety rules in diving and other phases of the sport.

Rivieran Mrs. Barbara Mablin was guest conductor this month at the dedication of the Neighborhood Church in Pinos Verdes. She, of course, is the director of Los Cancioneros, top choral group from Hollywood Riviera which won the Waring state-wide sweepstakes award two years in a row. She also won the Directors Scholarship at that time, so that the group actually won the division, sweepstakes and director's award.

In the meantime, while our backs were slightly turned and we were watching other activities, the Cub Scouts of Pack 656 of Riviera have been to a "do" of their own. Mrs. John Kinsey reports. Under the direction of Bruce Mapes, cubmaster and Carlton Paul, assistant cubmaster, the Pack met at El Retiro park clubhouse recently to revel in their current theme, "Hobbies." Over an artificial campfire, each Den and Pack member revealed samples of his favorite hobby and gave a short talk concerning it. In Den 1, Stanley Fleener, Doug, las Millar, and Jerry Wiewandt showed their stamp collections. Tim Locke exhibited his marble collection while Ralph Lampson and Steve Millar showed a tomtom collection and a butterfly collection respectively. Den 3's representation included Allen Lampson with stamps, Allen Walti, rock collection, Mark Dale, miniature trains and boats; Brian Griff, shells; Raymond Enright, rock collections and Bill Willett, leaves.



AIRMAN HONORED . . . Airman Third Class William E. Koehn, former Torrance High School student and now a B-26 flight engineer with Third Bomb Wing's "Fara-Dice" squadron in Korea, receives the Air Medal for meritorious achievement in aerial flight from Col. Roger E. Phelan, commander of the wing. Airman Koehn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. McBride, reside at 17110 Ardath, Torrance. (U. S. Air Force photo).

Den 5 members and exhibits son received the Bobcat award, badge were presented to Terry Fuller by his parents while Stanley Fleener received a Bear badge training book. Wolf badge training book was presented by his parents to Stuart Millar.

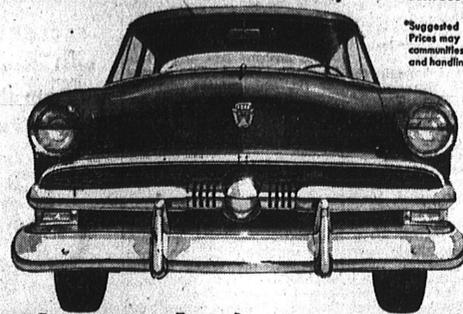
Two-year pins were awarded to Chris Kinsey, Bill McKnight and David Handy. Bill Willett received the one-year pin. Training books for the Lions

Following the exhibits and talks, Cubmaster Mapes presented awards and badges to the following cubs:

Jerry Keys, Allan Lampson, Allen Walti and Terry Fuller received the Silver Arrow award. Jerry Wiewandt, Terry Fuller, Stanley Fleener and Bobby Yoho were presented with the Gold Arrow award. Lion badge went to Jerry Wiewandt while Bryan Griff, Terry Fuller and Bob Yoho received the Bear badge. Stuart Millar and Ralph Lamp-

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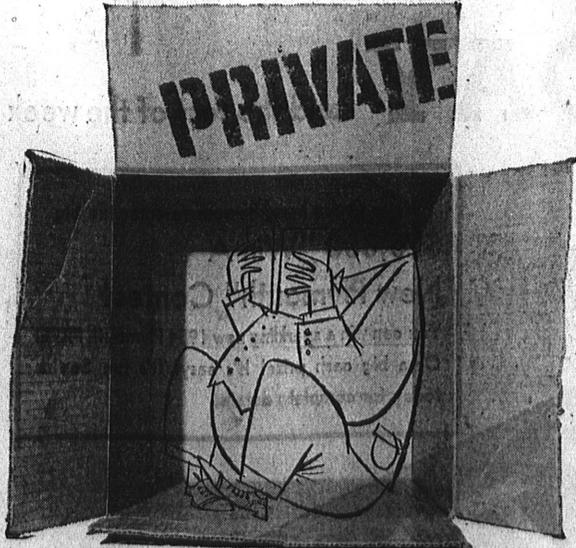
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